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FOLLOWING SENT ACTION SECSTATE INFO THE HAGUE NATO LONDON
IAEA VIENNA FROM USUN OCT 22

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SUBJ: NETHERLANDS DRAFT TEXT BAN--PNE RESOLUTION

1. DRAFT RESOLUTION ON TEST BAN AND PNES WAS GIVEN
BY DUTCH DELOFF TO MISSION OFFICERS OCTOBER 18. (TEXT
BELOW).

2. UK DELOFF (WHITE) TOLD US DELOFFS THAT INITIAL
BRITISH REACTION TO DUTCH RES WAS TO REGARD DUTCH CALL FOR
CCD CONSIDERATION OF PEACEFUL NUCLEAR EXPLOSIONS (PNE'S)
AS INCOMPATIBLE WITH AND POTENTIALLY DAMAGING TO UK PROPOSAL
IN IAEA CONTEXT TO SET UP AD HOC COMMITTEE OF IAEA MEMBERS
TO REVIEW ALL ASPECTS OF PNE'S. UK HAD ACCORDINGLY CON-
SIDERED OPTION OF ASKING DUTCH TO AMEND THEIR RES SO THAT
IT WOULD CALL ON IAEA, RATHER THAN CCD, TO STUDY
QUESTION OF PNE'S. WHITE ADDED, HOWEVER, THAT BRITISH
WERE NOW INCLINED NOT TO RESIST DUTCH DRAFT'S TREATMENT
OF PNE'S. UK DEL MIGHT TRY TO GET DUTCH TO ACCEPT BRIEF
REFERENCE TO IAEA'S RESPONSIBILITIES ON PNE MATTERS,
BUT WOULD NOT WISH TO INCORPORATE DETAILS OF BRITISH
BOARD OF GOVERNORS PROPOSAL INTO ANY UNGA RESOLUTION.

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3. BEGIN TEXT:

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

RECALLING ITS NUMEROUS RESOLUTIONS ON THE URGENT NEED FOR
CESSATION OF NUCLEAR AND THERMONUCLEAR TESTS,

RECALLING ALSO THE DETERMINATION EXPRESSED BY THE PARTIES TO
THE 1963 TREATY BANNING NUCLEAR WEAPON TESTS IN THE ATMOSPHERE,
IN OUTER SPACE AND UNDER WATER TO SEEK TO ACHIEVE THE DIS-
CONTINUANCE OF ALL TEST EXPLOSIONS OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS FOR ALL
TIME,

BEARING IN MIND THAT THE PRESENT STATE OF TECHNOLOGY DOES
NOT PERMIT TO DIFFERENTIATE BETWEEN NUCLEAR WEAPONS AND NUCLEAR
EXPLOSIVE DEVICES FOR PEACEFUL PURPOSES,

NOTING WITH CONCERN THAT IN THE COURSE OF THE YEAR NUCLEAR
TESTS HAVE BEEN UNDERTAKEN BY AN UNPRECEDENTED TOTAL OF SIX
COUNTRIES,

STRESSING THE VITAL IMPORTANCE OF AN EFFECTIVE AND WIDELY
ACCEPTABLE SOLUTION TO THE PROBLEMS OF A COMPREHENSIVE TEST BAN
FOR PROMOTING THE CESSATION OF THE NUCLEAR ARMS RACE AND FOR
PREVENTING THE FURTHER SPREAD OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS,

TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THE WORK OF THE INTERNATIONAL ATOMIC
ENERGY AGENCY ON PROBLEMS IN CONNECTION WITH NUCLEAR EXPLOSIONS
FOR PEACEFUL PURPOSES,

1. URGES STATES WHICH HAVE NOT YET ADHERED TO THE TREATY BANNING
NUCLEAR WEAPON TESTS IN THE ATMOSPHERE, IN OUTER SPACE AND
UNDER WATER TO DO SO AT THE EARLIEST POSSIBLE DATE,

2. TAKES NOTE OF THE TREATY BETWEEN THE UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST
REPUBLICS AND THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA ON THE LIMITATIONS
OF UNDERGROUND NUCLEAR WEAPON TESTS (A/9698), IN PARTICULAR
ITS PROVISION ON FURTHER NEGOTIATIONS WITH A VIEW TOWARDS
ACHIEVING A SOLUTION TO THE PROBLEM OF THE CESSATION OF ALL
UNDERGROUND NUCLEAR WEAPON TESTS,
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3. URGES ONCE MORE THE STATES MEMBERS OF THE CONFERENCE OF THE
COMMITTEE ON DISARMAMENT TO ELABORATE A TREATY DESIGNED TO
ACHIEVE THE OBJECTIVE OF A COMPREHENSIVE TEST BAN,

4. CALLS UPON THE CONFERENCE OF THE COMMITTEE ON DISARMAMENT TO
STUDY THE QUESTION OF PEACEFUL NUCLEAR EXPLOSIONS WITH A VIEW
TO DETERMINE ANY POSSIBLE RISKS OF SUCH EXPLOSIONS BEING

CONDUCTIVE TO WEAPONS DEVELOPMENT OR TO NUCLEAR ARMAMENT, AND
TO REPORT TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AT ITS THIRTIETH SESSION
ON WAYS TO ELIMINATE SUCH RISKS,

5. DECIDES TO INCLUDE IN THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA OF ITS THIRTIETH
SESSION AN ITEM ENTITLED "URGENT NEED FOR CESSATION OF NUCLEAR
AND THERMONUCLEAR TESTS AND CONCLUSION OF A TREATY DESIGNED
TO ACHIEVE A COMPREHENSIVE TEST BAN".

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